



MINUTES

COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Diamondhead, Mississippi


Diamondhead Community Center
April 12, 2012
9:00 a.m.

1. **Call to Order** Mayor Ingraham
2. **Roll Call** The following members of Council were present: Mayor Ingraham, Dianne Ackerman, Hank Holcomb, Ernie Knobloch, Ron Rech, Dalton Roberson
3. **Confirmation or Adjustments of Agenda Order:** Councilmember Roberson moved, seconded by Councilmember Knobloch, to accept the order of the Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **Presentations Regarding Public Private Partnerships** were given by Utility Partners, LLC, S. H. Anthony, and CH2M Hill.

Following the presentations, a general discussion was held by Council. The Interim City Manager indicated that a policy decision from Council would be necessary to determine the direction to take Diamondhead. The Interim City Manager was directed to provide to Council an overview of the comparisons between operating a conventional city and through public/private partnerships. Related discussions followed regarding decisions regarding health insurance, vacations, 401K's, PERS, holidays, etc. in anticipation of hiring employees. The Mayor directed the Consultant and Councilmember Roberson to prepare information and a proposal for the city regarding those subjects.

5. **New Business**
 - a. Interim City Manager discussed the need to begin the search for a City Manager as it is a lengthy process. The Mayor indicated that this is an issue that will be addressed in Executive Session.
6. **Old Business**
 - a. Public Information Officer/Committee—Information presented by Councilmember Holcomb was reviewed and the item was moved to the Formal Agenda for April 16, 2012. Councilmember Holcomb recommended that the Volunteer Application be placed on the website with a listing of volunteer positions available.
7. **DISCUSSION OF DRAFT AGENDA FOR April 16, 2012**
 - a. Rhonda Rhodes, Hancock Resource Center—Ms. Rhodes called and requested to speak to Council on what HRC can provide to the citizens of Diamondhead. Item confirmed for the Formal Agenda.
 - b. Ordinance Setting the Meeting Time of the Planning & Zoning Commission. Item reviewed and confirmed for the Consent Agenda.
 - c. Recess for Public Hearing on Budget schedule was discussed.
 - d. Minutes to April 2, 2012 meeting—a correction was made to the minutes.
 - e. MML Conference—The Mayor discussed the upcoming MML Conference to be held in Biloxi and requested that the application forms for all attending be completed by the May 3, 2012 work session. It was indicated that a mileage rate will need to be in place prior to the Conference to be held June 25-27, 2012 in Biloxi, MS.
 - f. A Docket of Claims will be presented at the meeting on May 7, 2012, after the approval of the FY2012 Budget.
8. **Citizens Wishing to Address Council** Limit of 3 minutes per person
None

9. **ADJOURN**—Councilmember Holcomb moved, seconded by Councilmember Rech to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 12:16 pm.


Charles H. Ingraham, Jr., Mayor


Sue W. Foster
Interim City Clerk

Meeting Notice Posted at City Hall on April 9, 2012.

**Consent Agenda— All matters listed on the Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.*